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**COMMUNICATION REGARDING PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT**

Applicants reviewed the USPTO calculation of the patent term adjustment for the above-referenced patent and believe that the patent term adjustment of 269 days calculated by the USPTO may be longer than appropriate.

The IDS filed on 10/12/2007 was filed 21 days after the filing of a Response on 9/21/2007. A second IDS was filed on 9/10/2009, 8 days after the filing of an RCE and Response on 9/2/2009. It is applicant's belief that the patent term should be reduced by 29 days to account for these delays and, thus, that the correct patent term adjustment for the above-referenced patent is 240 days.

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